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Brian Gustafson, Administrator
Air Quality Program
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
523 East Capitol, Joe Foss Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Mr. Gustafson:

On behalf of the board of directors for the **Lincoln County Economic Development Association**, I am writing to express our support for the Hyperion Energy Center permit application. As a regional economic development association we cannot emphasize enough what a tremendous opportunity Hyperion will be for our state and the energy independence of our country.

In addition to the economic gain in jobs, tax revenue and population growth we also stand in strong support of the Hyperion Energy Center because of their commitment to meeting or exceeding all environmental standards required by SD DENR and their demonstrated willingness to be strong corporate citizens with the area and the state.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to give me a call should you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Jeff Eckhoff, Executive Director
Lincoln County Economic Development Association